



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: AXELROD
SERIAL NO.: 10/039,549
FILING DATE: November 7, 2001
TITLE: MOLDED ANIMAL CHEW TOYS WITH REALISTIC APPEARANCE
EXAMINER: Robert A. Madsen ART UNIT: 1761
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Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

On August 5, 2003 the examiner issued an election/restriction requirement in the above-referenced case. The examiner indicated that the applicant was required under 35 USC 121 to elect a single disclosed species and a single disclosed subspecies for prosecution on the merits.

In response thereto applicant hereby elects the species "C" of a raw hide product. Applicant also elects the subspecies directed at a bacon product shape.

It is believed that claims 2, 3, 7, 8, 13, 14, 19 and 26 are readable thereon. Applicant notes that the examiner correctly identified that claims 7, 13 and 19 were generic.

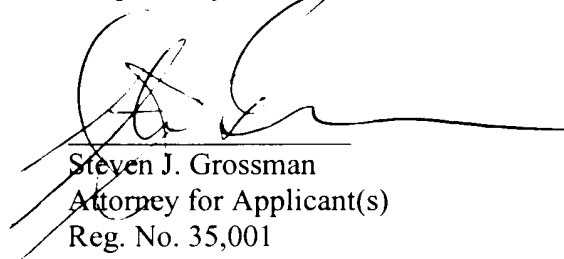
Applicant respectfully requests examination at this time and, upon allowance of the generic claim, the opportunity to amend the application to include additional species

in dependent form or to otherwise include all of the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

In the event the Examiner deems personal contact is necessary, please contact the undersigned attorney at (603) 668-6560.

In the event there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge them, or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-2121.

Respectfully submitted,



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